

Post-Office Notifications

A mail will close
 For Singapore, *Per Conception*, to-day, at 11 a.m.; at 4.30 p.m.
 For Shanghai, *Per Barba*, to-day, the 9th inst., at 5 p.m.
Per Oriza, to-morrow, the 10th inst., at 3.30 a.m.
 For Shanghai, *Per Blenlo*, to-morrow, the 10th inst., at 1.30 a.m.
Per City of Exeter, on Saturday, the 12th inst., at 1.00 p.m.
 For Singapore, Penang, and Ooloota—*Per City of Exeter*, on Saturday, the 12th inst., at 4.30 p.m.
 For Ooloota, Sydney, Melbourne, Townsville, &c.—*Per Batzen*, on Monday, the 14th inst., at 1.30 p.m.
 The closing of the mail for Saigon, *Per Batzen*, is postponed till further notice.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.
 The French Contract Packet *ANADY* will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 10th inst., at 10 a.m., for Saigon, through the United Kingdom and Marseilles; to Europe, Saigon, Singapore, Malé, Madras, Calcutta, Bombay, Swatow, Hongkong, Shanghai, Amoy, Canton, Swatow, Suez, and Alexandria.
 The following will be the hours of closing of the mails, &c.

Wednesday, 9th February,
5 P.M. Money Order Office closes. For
the day of the 10th, the Office will remain open all night.

Thursday, 10th February.
7 A.M. Post Office opens for sale
of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Post-
ing of all correspondence.
10 A.M. Registry of Letters closes.
11 A.M. Post Office closes except for Letters.
11.10 A.M. Letters (but Letters only) addressed
to the United Kingdom or to Singapore
may be posted on payment of
Late Pen of 18 cents extra postage.
11.30 A.M. when the Post Office CLOSES
entirely.

ALFRED LISTER,
Postmaster-General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 27th January, 1878.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES'
PAKETS.

The United States Mail Packet CITY OF
ALBANY will be despatched on TUESDAY
16th instant, at 3 P.M., with the Mail-
bag for Yokohama, San Francisco, the
United Kingdom, and the United States.
The Post Office will be open for the reception
of ordinary Letters, Books; Newspapers, &c.
at 2.30 P.M.
Letters will be posted on board the Packet
at 2.30 P.M. to 3.50 P.M., on payment of
the Pen of 12 cents in addition to the Postage
for the Payment of the Postage to all the
above places. The Pen is compulsory.
Freightage, sufficiently prepaid will be
forwarded by the English Packets.
Correspondence addressed to Yokohama or
the United States must be superimposed
with the Pen of 12 cents, and addressed to the
United Kingdom must be superimposed with
the Pen of 18 cents.

ALFRED LISTER,
Postmaster-General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 4th February, 1878.

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.
The English Contract Packet GWALD-
POLE will be despatched with the Mail for Europe
on THURSDAY, the 14th instant.
The following will be the hours of closing the
Office:
Wednesday, 13th instant,
5 P.M. Money Order Office closes.
6 P.M. Post Office closes except for the Night
Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 14th instant.
7 A.M. Post Office opens for sale
of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Post-
ing of all correspondence.
10 A.M. Registry of Letters closes except for Letters.
10.10 A.M. Letters may be posted on payment

of a RATE FEE of 18 cents extra for Postage, and under the Post Office CLOSING entirely.

11.30 A.M. Letters (not Letters only) addressed to the late Kingdon and Richards, Singapore, may be posted and heard the packet on payment of Late Fee of 36 cents extra postage.

11.50 A.M. Posting of **ALFRED LISTER**,
Postmaster-General
General Post Office,
Hongkong, 4th February, 1876.

His Excellency Governor Sir ARTHUR EDWARD KENNEDY, K.O.M.G., O.C., is pleased to direct that the following Rates for Letters (including those notified on the 15th instant) be published for general information:

LETTERS.	CENTS.
to Europe, America, India, Japan, China, Hongkong and Algeria and Brinslia,	12 per cent.
to the Colonies (including the Straits Settlements),	12

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continent of Europe (France excepted),	18 per cent.
to the Colonies (including the Straits Settlements),	12
from)	8 per cent.
to) Ceylon, India, Pondicherry,	12
Singapore	12
to the Colonies (including the Straits Settlements),	12 per cent.
from)	18

The above are all the changes brought about by the Table of Rates dated the 1st instant, and may not be regarded as ascertaining that Table.

Arrangements have been made for the Registrar of Correspondence exchanged between the United States of America and the Colonies and the Office of the Occidental and Oriental Steam Ship Company.

The Registration Fee is 8 cents for each letter, over and above the Postage. This fee must be paid in advance, and the postage must be paid by the recipient.

No letters can be registered after 2 P.M. the day of departure of the Mail.

Many boxes of letters are received at the Colonies, that are not sealed, that is to say, the boxes are not sealed with sealing wax, but there is no objection of a seal.

The attention of bondholders is called to the necessity of carefully sealing such boxes with wax, and to the fact that the Colonies Office will not accept or receipt with them. The omission of a seal in the latter precaution leaves a doubt as to whether the contents of the boxes ever reached the Colonies, and the fact that the Colonies Office will not accept of them might not have been a sufficient reason for the loss of the boxes.

For the sake of the Postage Stamp.

The rates of postage chargeable on Letters addressed to the United Kingdom, and to places beyond the United Kingdom, when forwarded by French Packet, are the same as those chargeable on Letters forwarded by British Packet via Brindisi.

any article contained in any packet or envelope
undesignated and considered necessary to make
the regulation known to the public, and
that any letters of packets containing
such articles sent through the Post are liable
with their contents, to be forfeited.

The Postmaster at San Francisco has given
 notice that letters despatched from this Colon

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